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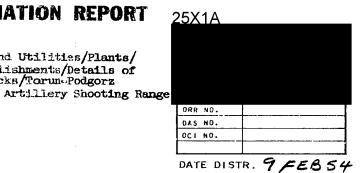
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"The following information dates up to August 1953:

Mee of City of Torus

- "At present /19557, forum has a population of around 80,000 inhabitants. (In 1921, the population was 39,000 and in 1931, 62,000.)
- "/Available the CIA Map Library is a map of Torum drawn to a scale of 温む 10,000.7 Following is the descriptive legend which applies to the map of Torun:

### Institutions and Utilities

- (1) Town hall (rynek market pluce)
- (2) Ziewi Pomorskiej Theatre city center
- **(**3) Kurstorium; school governing body - city center
- (4) Distance court city center
- Main post office on market place
- (6) District Board of Woods and Forests on Mickiewicza Street
- (7) District UB and MC (security and police) offices on Bydges ka Street
- (8) Main railway station, now completely reconstructed
- Railway bridge over the Wisla River. Destroyed during World War II, now rebuilt for only one-track passage. Length of bridge: around one (1) kilometer. The U.S. Officials Only

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bridge had a separate crossing for pedestrians which is no longer in existence.

- (10) District hospital, former hospital for the Sisters of Charity in the Mokre Suburb
- (11) Power plant on Sienkiewicza Street
- (12) Slaughterhouse in the Jakubskie Suburb. Besides slaughtering, the enterprise operates the production of canned goods for export and manufactures a special type of canned meat for Army use.
- (13) Fire brigade on Prosta Street
- (14) Gas plant in the Jakubskie Suburb
- (15) Stopping-point for passenger steamers on the Wisla River, near the outlet of Zeglaraka Street
- (16) Baltyk movie house on Mickiewicza Street Does not appear on map7
- (17) St. Mary's Catholic Church market place
- (18) St. John's Catholic Church city center
- (19) Garrison church city center

#### Plants

- (20) Factory for gusometers and hydrometers in the Jakubskie Suburb
- (21) Factory for electrical apparatus and appliances for low voltage only (Fabryka Aparatow Niskiego Wapieca)
- (22) Factory producing appliances for the sanitation and hygienic trade (Fabryka Sprzetu Sanitarnego) on Mosciuszki Street
- (23) Agricultural machinery factory (Pomorskie Zaklady Produkcji aszyn Rolniczych) in the Mokre Suburb, specializing in the manufacture of globular grinders (kugelmuchlen sic)
- (24) Boiler plant (Pomorska Fabryka Kotlow) city center
- (25) Electic bulb plant. Construction of this new plant was started in 1950. According to plan, production will be commenced at the end of 1953 or the beginning of 1954. Located in the Jakubskie Suburb
- (26) Luban potato-flour factory in Jakubskie Suburb
- (27) Gingerbread factory in the Jakubskie Suburb
- (28) Polish State Monopoly distillery in the Mokre Suburb
- (29) Flour mill in Mokre Suburb
- (30) Flour mill in the center of the city, located on the bank of the Wisla River
- (31) Sawmill on Mickiewicza Street
- (32) Shippard for construction and repair of river-haulers
- (33) LAS State-owned enterprise dealing in all by-products gained from forests (mushrooms, wild berries, resin, etc.) on Mickiewicza Street
- (34) Railway repair workshops in Podgorz Suburb, on the left bank of the Wisla River. These lather expansive workshops are situated on the outlet of the railway-lines from Torum toward Poznam and Bydgoszcz.

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## Military Installations and Establishments

- (40) Infantry barracks in the center of the city near the Torun-Miastro railway station
- (41) Artillery officers' school (recently renamed Tadeusza Kosciuszki). The school is on Sobieskiego Street:

# Details on Artillery Officers' School Barracks

- 1. Building for school Command
- 2. Barracks for cadet officers
- Training and education buildings
- 3. Training and education 14. Garages, stables and coach-houses.
- (42) Antiaircraft artillery barracks in the Rudak Suburb (on the left bank of the Wisla River). The barracks are located on the northern outskirts of the main artillery maneuver-grounds in Poland.
- (43) Main artillery exercise camp on the northern outskirts of the maneuver ground. (In all probability, a detachment of 'maneuver' artillery and topographical /ground? / ertillery is quartered in this barracks.)
- (44) Barracks for Soviet Air Force detachment
- (45) Barrucks for Soviet Detachment (in this barracks are also transient Soviet officer quarters and a Soviet officers mess hall)
- (46) Airfield located on the northwestern outskirts of the town. Used by Soviet Air
- (47) Military hospital on Mickiewicza Street
- (48) Millitary warehouses in the pre-World Wer II fortifications on Waly Street
- (49) Military warehouses in the Rudak Suburb near the railroad bridge
- (50) Military warehouses close to those in No. (49)
- (51) Quartermaster garrison warehouses in the Mokre Suburb for uniforms, sanitation equipment and construction material
- (52) WKR (Wojskowa Komisja Raejonowa) recruitment offices on Waly Street
- (53) Small Soviet detachment billeted in a few villas on Sobieskiego Street.

### Map of Torun-Podgorz Artillery Shooting Range

the CIA Map Library is a map of the Torun-Podgorz Artillery "/Available at. Shooting Range drawn to a scale of 1:25,000. Also in this map is a diagram of the shooting range by the line of the Wodek Road. There is an accompanying legend written right on the map showing the symbols for barracks and installations, fortifications, artillery shooting gallery, the first row of artillery observation points, the first row of targets, the second row of artillery observation points, field of far-distant targets, auxiliary garrison training ground. On this map, the has used presome of these names are still in World War II names. According to use, such as Chrobrego hill and Czarnieckiego Hill. Following is a general description of the Torun-Podgorz Artillery Shcoting Range:

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"This shooting range was established as early as the end of the 19th century. Thereafter, it lived through many remodellings and was greatly expanded before World War I by the Germans, with another renovation following thereafter by Polish authorities.

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- 6. "In the years between 1920 and 1939, Torun was the main artillery training center in Poland. During this period, the following military installations were located there:
  - a. Artillery cadet officers' school (for career officers)
  - b. Artillery Training Center specialized courses for staff officers and for scientific artillery instructors with NCO grades
  - c. Topography and survey-measurement officers training center (Artyleryjskie Wyszkolenie Pomiarowe)
  - d. Training center for courses on ballooms for artillery observers
  - e. 31 PAL regiment for light artillery
  - T. 33 DAL independent light artillery battalion.

"Apart from these artillery units, there were also stationed in Torum before World War II one infantry regiment, one engineering battalion and one signal detachment.

- 7. The ranges are situated south of forum on the left bank of the Wisla River. They cover 75 square kilometers of sandy ground cut by two rows of sandy hills. (The highest hill is around 103 meters above sea level, in contrast to the 55-meter average height above sea level in the town itself.)
- 8. "In the south, the shooting range is closed off by a third row of sandy hills. The peak of the row of hills is 105 m above sea level. The eastern part of the terrain is covered by dense forests while its southern part is covered with only sparsely-scattered tree groups. The terrain borders on the following:
  - on the morth: Podgorz suburb and the Stavki suburban settlement;
  - on the west: the Toron-Inowroclaw railway line;
  - on the south: the road connecting the localities of Wygoda and Popioly;
  - on the east: the Torun-Wroclavek railway line.
- 9. "The shooting range is connected with the locality of Torun by an electro-car [sic] especially established for shuttling b-ween the Torun-Miastro railway station and the smaller Kiuczyki station located on the northwestern corner of the terrain.

### Details of the Shooting Range

- 10. "The shooting-channel is bordered by the Warszawska Road on the east and the Popiolow Road on the west. This field is cut through its middle by another path known as the Wodek path.
- 11. "In its meridian direction /going from north to south?", this shooting field is traversed by:
  - a. a row of satillery galleries
  - b. the first line of artillery observation points
  - c. the first line of targets
  - d. the second line of artillery observation points
  - e. a row of far-distant targets.

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- 12. "On the northern outskirts of the shocking range (going from west to east), there are the following installations:
  - a. Fort Batorego (a fortification in existence for some time around which the small exercise camp of the artillery officers' school had been organized before World War II). See "A" on the map available at the CIA Map Library.
  - b. The main artillery exercise camp; barracks /See "B" on the map.7
  - c. Ammunition dump, connected with another part of the terrain by a narrow-gauge railway line. See "C" on the map.
  - d. Shooting range for hand fire weapons and machine guns. See "D" on the map/
  - e. Auxiliary training ground for Torun garrison. See "E" on the map.
- 13. "Territorial changes which took place after World War II in Poland also changed the arrangement of the artillery training facilities. Aside from Torun there were, before the war, other artillery training centers such as the one in Wlodzimierz or the large artillery shooting range in Powersk (for heavy artillery). There was also one in Czeremoszno for light and horse-drawn artillery. All these installations were located on territories annexed by the USSR in 1945. Now in the western territories there are many maneuver grounds which have been especially adapted for artillery, as he one in Powne (German: Gross-Rosen /MIS: Gross Born/) or in Prostynia near Drawsk (German: Wildpforth bei Dramberg).
- 14. "In spite of all these post-war changes, Torun retained its previous position as the main specialization center for artillery.

15. "at present in Torun:

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- a. an artillery officers; school (for career army officers);
- b. a school for higher-ranking officers (with special courses for commanding officers on the battalion and regiment level);
- c. a maneurer artillery detachment;
- d. a topography and general measurement and survey detachment (probably consisting of one regiment).
- 16. "It should be added that the training program in the Torum schools does not include antiaircraft artillery training. In line with the new organization of the Polish Army, this antiaircraft artillery is now attached to the so-called antiaircraft defense corps (which exists, along with the Navy, the Air Force and the Land Army, as a fourth branch of the Armed Forces). As a result, there are separate schools dealing with antiaircraft training. The antiaircraft artillery possesses such school centers in Koszalin, Poznan, Skierniewice and Legionowo near Warsaw. Before the war, antiaircraft instructors and officers were trained within the general artillery schools and were assigned to antiaircraft units for only short periods of additional training."

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